

## Allowable Work Windows

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Below are the allowable work windows (also known as construction timing windows) for the Phase 1 programmatic consultation. These windows also serve as a general guideline for activities not authorized by this programmatic. Adherence to the work windows avoids, or greatly minimizes, effects from construction on federally listed or proposed fish species and their prey species.

When applicants apply for a Department of the Army permit to authorize an activity, adherence to the allowable work windows generally ensures that effects from the construction of the structure will have no more than a minimal effect on listed fish in the project area. An applicant may request a work window variation or request permission to do over-water work outside the allowable work window. The Corps will consider these requests on a case-by-case basis. In order to evaluate the impact of doing the work outside the work window, the applicant will need to submit the following information:

1. A clear request for a work window variation or permission to do over-water work outside the work window in all application materials (JARPA, BE, SPIF, RBE),
2. A clear definition of the work that will take place outside the allowable work window,
3. A description of the existing environment, including information regarding activity in the area, such as the amount of development and amount of boating activity in the action area,
4. Referenced site specific salmonid and other species usage information used in making the determination of effect, and
5. An effects determination and determination of effect for work

proposed to take place outside the work window.

Please be advised! Although you may be conducting the work within the appropriate allowable work window, you must still receive written notification of Corps authorization before proceeding to construction. These timing windows are subject to change based on new information and may be amended periodically. Please refer to this website for the most current version.

## **fish species**

- [Lake Washington, Lake Sammamish, and the ship canal, including Lake Union](#)
- [all marine and estuarine areas \*\*excluding\*\* the mouth of the Columbia River \(Baker Bay\)](#)
- [waters within national park boundaries, Columbia River, Snake River, and lakes](#)
- [all freshwaters, \*\*excluding\*\* waters within national park boundaries, Columbia River, Snake River and lakes](#)

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